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By submitting these materials, the applicant does not concede that all are prior art. They do not know when some of the competitive devices were first made public. These references were cited in a case which Attorney for Applicant is prosecuting, and may or may not be relevant to this case. Citation is made for completeness under rule 56.

### Introduction:

The inventor of the invention set forth in the application identified in the heading of this document are individuals. The inventors have participated in the design and development of the invention.

Some of the references appear to be relevant to, or useful in, evaluating the present patent application. For the purpose of completeness and accuracy, this patents are enclosed.

### References:

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6. U.S. Patent No. 5,578,877 to Tiemann, entitled "Apparatus for converting vibratory motion to electrical energy"; publication in Canada 12/14/1995, issued in U.S. on November 26, 1996.
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For the foregoing reasons, the Applicants submits that these references neither disclose nor suggest the claimed invention.

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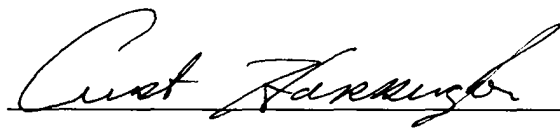


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